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8	BEFORE THE		
9	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2013-678		
12	ROBERT MATTHEW KIRBY		
13	65317 Highway 22 Roanoke, AL 36274 A C C U S A T I O N		
14	Registered Nurse License No. 726182		
15	Respondent.		
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17	Complainant alleges:		
18	PARTIES		
19	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her		
20	official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of		
21	Consumer Affairs.		
22	2. On or about May 8, 2008, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse		
23	License Number 726182 to Robert Matthew Kirby (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License		
24	expired on August 31, 2009, and has not been renewed.		
25	JURISDICTION		
26	3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board),		
27	Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section		
28	references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.		

4. Section 118, subdivision (b) of the Code states:

"The suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a license issued by a board in the department, or its suspension, forfeiture, or cancellation by order of the board or by order of a court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the board, shall not, during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the licensee on any such ground."

- 5. Section 2750 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
  - 6. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- (a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- (4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional licensing board. A certified copy of the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that action.
- 7. Section 2764 of the Code also provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under Section 2811, subdivision (b), of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.

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### **COST RECOVERY**

8. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be included in a stipulated settlement.

## FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Disciplinary Action by the Alabama State Board of Nursing)

- 9. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Section 2761 subdivision (a)(4) because the Alabama State Board of Nursing ("Alabama Board") took disciplinary action against Respondent on April 14, 2011. The circumstances of the Alabama Board's disciplinary action are as follows:
- a. On or about April 12, 2011, Respondent voluntarily surrendered his license to the Alabama Board, which had the same effect as a revocation of his license, and Respondent relinquished all his rights, title, and privilege of practicing nursing in Alabama. The surrender became effective on April 14, 2011. The certified copy of the Voluntary Surrender is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

#### PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 726182, issued to Robert Matthew Kirby;

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2. Ordering Robert Matthew Kirby to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;

3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: February 27, 2013

LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN Executive Officer

Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

Complainant

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EXHIBIT A



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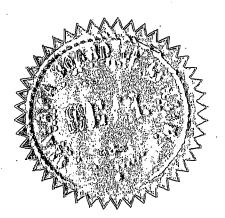
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

I, N. GENELL LEE, RN, MSN, JD, Executive Officer of the Alabama Board of Nursing, do hereby certify that I am the legal Custodian of Records for the Alabama Board of Nursing and that the attached document in reference to **ROBERT MATHEW KIRBY** as it appears of record and on file in my office at Suite 250, RSA Plaza, 770 Washington Avenue in the City of Montgomery, County of Montgomery, State of Alabama, that the laws of the State require said records be kept and that the same are true and correct copies of said originals.

**WITNESS** my hand and seal of the Alabama Board of Nursing on this  $7^{th}$  day of June 2012.

ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING

N. GENELL LEE, RN, MSN, JD EXECUTIVE OFFICER



BEFORE THE ALABAMA BOARD OF NURSING		
IN THE MATTER OF:	)	
ROBERT MATTHEW KIRBY	) VOLUNTARY SURRENDER )	
LICENSE NO. 1-111532 CASE NUMBER: 2011-1047		
§ 610-X-805(4) of the <u>Alabama Board of Nursing</u> voluntarily surrenders said license to the Alabam surrender shall have the same effect as a rev	practice nursing in the State of Alabama, pursuant to ng Administrative Code hereby freely, knowingly and ma Board of Nursing. I further understand that this pocation of my license, and I knowingly forfeit and nursing in the State of Alabama, unless and until such	
voluntarily waive such right. I also understand that	ring in this matter, and I hereby freely, knowingly and at should any request for reinstatement be entertained a Board of Nursing shall have access to the entire	
Board of Nursing or its representatives are that rehabilitation, the Alabama Board of Nursing reinstatement of license at such time as is allow reinstatement, I must demonstrate to the satisfaction	ises or representations made to me by the Alabama t upon receipt of proper proof and evidence of my will give due consideration to an application for ed by law. I fully understand that as a condition for on of the Alabama Board of Nursing that I am capable of nursing in accordance with the laws of the state of	
Alabama Board of Nursing. I understand that this entered as the final disposition of disciplinary processhall be considered to be and may be recorded as be reported as a disciplinary action to the Heal Inspector General of the United States Department Council of State Boards of Nursing.	ffective immediately upon acceptance thereof by the is document will be considered to be a public record eedings presently pending against me, that this action is a Final Order of the Board, and that this action will althour Integrity Protection Databank, the Office of ent of Health and Human Services, and the National	
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APPROVED AND ACCEPTED by the ALA day of 20 11.  The second of the second	noence Le	
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